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Serial No.: 09/872,235	)	Examiner: Miranda Le
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For: TECHNIQUES FOR AUTOMATICALLY	)	
PROVISIONING A DATABASE OVER	)	
A WIDE AREA NETWORK	)	

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**Mail Stop Amendment**  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed November 16, 2004, the shortened statutory period for which runs until February 16, 2005. Applicants respectfully request entry of the following amendments and reconsideration of the patent application in view of the following remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 24 of this paper.